

To the Lord Mayor and
Members of Dublin City Council

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Report of the Chief Executive



Monthly Management Report – June 2020

Section 136 (2) of the Local Government Act 2001 as inserted by Section 51 of the Local Government Reform Act 2014 places an obligation on the Chief Executive to prepare Monthly Management Reports for Council. The monthly report for the June 2020 City Council meeting is submitted herewith.

Finance

Please be advised that there are no additions or changes to the Monthly Local Fund Statement & EU/IMF Report listed on the City Council Agenda.

Environment & Transportation

Please see attached report.

Housing & Community Services

Please see Housing Supply Report on Agenda.

Planning & Property Development

Please see attached report.

Culture, Recreation & Economic Services

Please see attached report.

Law Department

Freedom of Information

Please see attached Report in relation to Freedom of Information statistics.

Owen P. Keegan
Chief Executive

Dated: 27th May 2020

Environment & Transportation

Control of Stationless On-Street Bicycle Hire Bye-Laws

MOBY's public launch has been postponed in light of the Covid 19 crisis. Both MOBY and Bleeperbikes have made their stock of bicycles available to healthcare workers free of charge. MOBY's all electric fleet has been fully subscribed by healthcare workers and MOBY have also facilitated the sharing of private electric bikes with healthcare workers. Bleeperbikes have offered a free 3 month subscription to all healthcare workers and uptake to date has been quite strong. The Council has agreed to waive the permit fees of both operators for as long as this initiative lasts.

Parking Tag and alternative methods of paying for parking

Due to the Covid 19 Virus Isolation, the number of transactions per week in April had reduced to 10,500 from a high of 126,155 at the beginning of March. This rose to 22,097 weekly transactions for week ending 17th May. The current Covid 19 situation means that the numbers using the parking Tag has dropped very significantly in line with the reduction of parking meter usage. The weekly revenue on average of €400,000 had reduced to €25,000 for Pay and Display parking in March and April. By week ending 17th May this has risen to €58,500. However, there has been a rise in the number of live accounts from 227,652 in April to 227,989 in May.

The Council have issued a Request for Tender for provision of the Parking Tag service for all Dublin Local authorities, Meath County Council and Kildare County Council. The assessment of the applications and notifications to the applicants of the results have taken place. When the new contract is signed the name of the winner of this new contract will be made known.

Car Clubs

There are currently two Car Club companies (GoCar and Yuko) operating within the Dublin City Council administrative area. Both companies had requested and were approved for additional permits in order to expand their services. The total number of live Car Club permits currently issued is 376.

Electric Vehicle Parking/Charging

There are currently 35 dedicated EV only bays located on street and further sites are being reviewed for suitability. The Council is currently working on a project on trialling 4 on-street EV charge points installed in Q4 2019.

Permit Parking, Pay & Display

As a result of the Coronavirus pandemic and the current Government restrictions which were announced on 27th March 2020 all Residential Parking Permit schemes (i.e. new schemes and extensions to hours of schemes) have been placed on hold until further notice.

Coach Parking Charges

Coach Parking Charges has being introduced from the 30th of March 2020. All the details can be found at <http://www.dublincity.ie/coachparking>.

Road Maintenance Services

Road Maintenance Services' resolved approximately 2,000 enquiries and service requests during the period January to April 2020. Additionally, during the same period approximately 1,650 defects and hazards on the road network were repaired and/or made safe. Furthermore, a total of 181 critical defects and hazards were repaired and/or made safe within 24-hours of being recorded. As of the 18th May 2020, Road Maintenance Services has commenced a phased increase in service delivery following the restrictions that had been in place due to COVID-19.

Tender preparation is currently in progress to appoint contractors to deliver Road Maintenance Services' Annual Works Programme for 2020. This will include both carriageway and footpath resurfacing and reconstruction works and will lead to improvements in road conditions for all road users.

Licensing Unit

Casual Trading

There are approximately 260 Casual Traders Licenced in designated pitches in DCC. It is expected that Casual Trading will return to the streets in the coming weeks/months. The number of expected event licences will be reviewed following the Covid 19 crisis as a number of events were cancelled. The EURO2020 is postponed until 2021. The Expert Group which was set up to examine the future of trading on Moore Street held its first meeting in March. A workshop with interested parties will take place as soon as possible after lockdown. In the meantime a zoom meeting of the group will take place this month.

Street Performance

It is expected (subject to Covid 19 restrictions) that up to 500 Street Performance permits may issue in 2020. The most popular areas for Street performers are Grafton Street and Henry Street. The permits are issued in accordance with the Street Performers Bye-laws 2016. The Assistant Inspectors are on Grafton Street/Henry Street and other areas daily to enforce the bye-laws.

Licensing of Advertising Boards

The system of licensing for Advertising Boards commenced from the 1st September 2019. Since then the Ad Board Unit: has issued 596 official warning notices, seized 158 Ad Boards from 139 businesses and issued 4 Ad Board licences. A total of 2,223 premises have been inspected for compliance.

Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Fund

Circa €8.3m of the €9m approved in principle in respect of the Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2016 and 2017 has been drawn down to date. Only three projects of the 67 approved remain outstanding, however works are ongoing in relation to these and they should be completed by Q3 2020.

Circa €560K of the €1.5m approved in respect of the Dublin Waste to Energy Community Gain Projects Grant Scheme 2019 has been drawn down. The 38 projects approved in principle have until December 2020 to drawdown their grant funding.

The Community Gain Liaison Committee meeting scheduled to take place on the 2nd June 2020 has been deferred until current government restrictions have been eased and a meeting can be facilitated

Waste Services Update

CRM

While continuing to operate a daily service within Covid 19 restrictions and implementing measures to ensure staff safety and business continuity Waste Management Services have dealt with an increase of 32% on overall service requests in April 2020 compared with the same period in 2019.

2708 service requests were dealt with in the period.

Street Washing

Washing of streets is ongoing within daily operations carried out by Waste Management Services using specific compact wash adapted large road sweepers. A large number of streets are being washed daily throughout the city and this washing programme will be continued as resources permit.

Street Grading

Street Grading inspections resumed on 22nd May across all Areas.

Recycling Services

Shamrock Terrace and Pigeon House Road Civic Amenity sites reopened in April and are fully operational. Paystations at these locations were upgraded to facilitate contactless payment in line with social distancing best practice on 26th May.

Bring Centres began reopening on a phased basis from the 27th April, using social distancing best practice and following rigorous Health & Safety assessments of facilities.

The following centres are now in operation:

South City

Gulistan Terrace, Herzog Park, Rutland Grove, Marrowbone Lane, Kylemore Park.

North City

Oscar Traynor Road, Grangegorman.

Windmill Road Bring Centre is due to reopen during the week of the 2nd June. Collins Avenue bring centre remains closed as assessments of how it may be safely reopened continues.

Anti-Dumping Initiative 2020

Dublin City Council has been granted funding of €90,000 under the DCCAE anti-dumping initiative 2020 to progress 6 projects aimed at addressing illegal dumping in areas throughout the city.

Citywide

Funding to carry out door to door and correspondence based Waste Bye – Law compliance surveys and enforcement.

Expansion of abandoned bicycle removal initiative

North West Area

Clean ups of waste at dumping blackspots, provision of household junk collection days (1 each per area – Ballymun / Finglas). Provision of planters at areas where black bag dumping accumulates. Mini projects to green and landscape dumping locations. Engagement with Better Ballymun / Tidy Towns to coordinate and engage community and schools in projects.

North Central Area

Regular ongoing clean up of dumping at R139 to maintain arterial route. Kilbarrack – securing / landscaping and planting of dumping blackspot

South Central Area

Clean up, securing and monitoring of site at Elmdale / Cherry Orchard

Pride of Place 2020 Competition

Co-Operation Ireland are planning to proceed with Pride of Place 2020 competition and have extended the closing date to 30 June 2020.

Community groups that enter the IPB Pride of Place 2020 competition will be asked to develop and upload a powerpoint presentation to the POP website and this will replace, for this year only, the judges visit to the community. Further details will be circulated, regarding presentations and judging over the coming weeks.

City Neighbourhoods Competition

As the normal annual City Neighbourhoods Competition 2020 cannot take place due to ongoing Covid 19 restrictions, the Waste Management Division in conjunction with Public Domain Officers and Community Development Officers have been exploring ways in which the community can be acknowledged and rewarded for volunteering with the Community Response Forum. The “Heroes and Helpers Awards” will be arranged at local level and funds from Dublin City Neighbourhoods Competition will be redirected towards these awards.

Meanwhile, the Waste Management Division continue to support local groups carrying out clean-ups in communal areas while maintaining social distancing to ensure our city is kept clean for all of us.

Green Schools / Community Environment Action Fund

The Green Schools Officer is examining how planned and funded projects due to be delivered in 2020 such as Master Composter workshops and RELove Fashion competition may be provided remotely or digitally in the event that current restrictions impact on the successful delivery of projects in the normal manner

Litter Management Plan

The draft replacement 3-year litter management plan 2020 – 2022 statutory public consultation period commenced on the 24th February and was completed on the 6th April 2020

Housing waste recycling project

Dublin City Council is committed to ensuring all waste is disposed of in the correct manner at all council owned complexes. At the beginning of 2019, a project team was established to introduce both green (mixed dry recyclables) and brown (food waste) bins at all complexes.

Given the scale of the project (192 complexes with almost 10,000 units), it was agreed that the introduction of segregated bins would be completed on an area by area basis and that the project would commence in the South East area.

A priority focus for this project is ensuring that residents understand how to recycle and to easily identify what items can be recycled. To this end unique signage for recycling was created for this project. At each complex, this signage is installed on wall signs in the bin area and on stickers placed on green and brown bins. While the designs are mainly visual, text on wall signs is in English and text on stickers is in Irish.



Figure 1 : Wall signs for green and brown bins

When the bins arrive at each complex, residents are invited to a recycling workshop held at a convenient nearby location. Workshops are delivered by a recycling ambassador from the environmental charity *Voice Ireland*. At these workshops, best practice recycling is explained and residents have an opportunity to ask questions. Reusable recycling bags, a 10 Ltr food caddy and a roll of compostable bags are given to each resident at the workshop and available on request thereafter for residents unable to attend a workshop.

The introduction of segregated bins in the South East Area is now complete.

The project required the introduction of additional bins to all complexes - 47 (1,100 Ltr) green bins have been introduced to date and 59 (240 Ltr) brown bins. While all brown bins were purchased, only 11 green bins needed to be purchased. This is due to increased usage of the green bins which meant that there was less waste going to general waste bins. 32 (1,100 Ltr) general waste bins were removed from complexes, cleaned & sprayed and re-introduced as green recycle bins.

Location surveys were carried out at each complex initially to identify the number of bins required. Surveys continued after workshops to assess any increased usage with recycle bins, reduction in usage of general waste bins and whether additional recycle bins were required. Minor adjustments were required at some complexes to facilitate recycle bins.

Mixed dry recyclables tonnage figures for 2019 were compared with 2018 and indicate an increase of 2 tonne per week. As green bins were introduced on a phased basis, this figure is expected to rise.

Brown bin waste figures for the last 8 weeks of 2019 indicate an average 0.78tonne per week.

Next phase of recycling project

The introduction of segregated bins to DCC housing units in the South East Area is now complete. Site inspections for phase two began in South Central Area in March 2020, but were suspended due to the Covid-19 situation. On completion of the SCA phase, the project will then move to Central, North West and finally North Central Areas. It is anticipated that the project will be delivered to all areas by winter 2021. This target may be reviewed in line with ongoing Covid 19 restrictions.

Clear communication and kitchen caddies hold the key to introducing the brown bin for apartments.

Introducing food waste segregation to apartment complexes can be successfully achieved through a combination of clear communications, an engaged management company and the provision of inexpensive kitchen caddies to residents, according to a study recently published by the Regional Waste Offices.

The study, which took place in an apartment complex in the Santry area of Dublin, Temple Gardens and Temple Lawns, from April to September of 2019, examined the best ways to introduce segregated food waste collection to apartment complexes. In particular, the study looked at the measures required to encourage maximum participation by residents.

The number of households living in apartments in Ireland has grown significantly in the past decade and in the Dublin area over 35% of households currently live in apartments. Although households are legally obliged to segregate food waste, the vast majority of apartment complexes in Ireland do not have the facilities to do so, such as a brown bin collection or a system for the residents to begin segregating their food waste. In addition, for residents and management companies who wish to put a system in place, the process can seem complex. In countries that do have such collections, factors such as restricted kitchen space, inadequate monitoring of communal bin areas, unclear signage and a high turnover of residents all present particular problems for food segregation.

Hugh Coughlan, co-ordinator of the Eastern-Midlands Regional Waste Management Office said, "In the Dublin study we set out to introduce a collection for food waste while simultaneously tackling issues that might arise. We also carried out surveys and focus groups of the residents to learn as much as possible about how they were reacting to the new system, what was working for them and what needed to be changed."

"We found that the two most important factors in encouraging residents to begin segregating their food waste was the provision of the kitchen caddy, an inexpensive item, and signage clearly stating what could be placed in the brown bin. Other factors that facilitated the change included good housekeeping in the communal bin areas, a contact number or email where residents could ask for information and having a management company that is engaged and interested in the process."

The study recommends the instigation of a national programme to introduce brown bin collections to all apartment complexes. Specific recommendations for local authorities include raising awareness about regulations concerning the segregation and collection of food waste, increased enforcement of the regulations and the use of planning conditions to ensure adequate storage space both in apartment kitchens and communal bin areas.

To request a full copy of the report email hugh.coughlan@dublincity.ie or joanne.rourke@dublincity.ie

Special Speed Limit Bye-Laws 2019

The North West Area is substantially completed. The completion of the Southern Area and the North East Area will depend upon resumption of work after COVID19 restrictions are lifted.

Water Framework Directive (WFD) Greenways and River Flood Protection

DCC is working to integrate a number of projects to ensure that the opportunities to meet DCC's WFD obligation of achieving "good" status for each river by 2027 are maximised. Current examples are:

- Consultants have been appointed by DCC to deal with flood risk across the DCC and SDCC sections of The River Camac and this is being integrated into a desire to "de-culvert" this over engineered river where possible so that it can, over time, be restored to a more natural state. The project will also involve identifying and remedying urban pollution sources, where possible. This is also being done in conjunction with an existing Greenway proposal and also in tandem with Urban Regeneration and Development Fund (URDF) funded projects in the area.
- The River Santry where DCC is preparing a brief to engage consultants as part of a URDF funded project to restore the river to a more natural state, and investigate and remedy sources of pollution. Again this work is being designed in conjunction with a proposed Santry River Greenway Project. A restricted procedure will be used to engage consultants. Stage 1, Expressions of Interest is scheduled to be published on e-Tenders on the 1st June 2020.

Surface Water and Pluvial (Rainfall) Flood Risk Management

It has become increasingly apparent that, as a result of climate change, rainfall patterns in Dublin have changed from the previous low intensity long duration type rain to shorter and far more intensive rainfall events. The existing drainage infrastructure was not designed to deal with this type of rainfall and, as a result, there have been a number of localised flood events in recent years.

Arising from work initiated by the DCC Flood and WFD Division in close liaison with the DCC Climate Change Action Plan team, it has been agreed that DCC should progress a number of nature based water retention measures using a sustainable urban design approach at different locations across the City. These will have the dual effect of reducing the rate of surface water runoff into sewers, thus reducing the risk of downstream and local flooding, as well as improving the water quality of that runoff through percolating the runoff through natural media with a green infrastructure approach.

In recent months, the WFD / Surface Water team has continued to liaise with their colleagues in E&T Roads, in the Parks Department and in the City Architect's Office to facilitate the implementation of this approach in particular public realm projects that are at design and construction stages.

Procurement is nearing completion for a consultant to draw up a Guidance Document to cover best practice in this area.

Bathing Waters

Dublin City Council has appointed a Senior Engineer to lead a joint effort with our colleagues in Dun Laoghaire Rathdown to deal with the long-standing problems regarding the quality of the bathing waters in the south city area. A Task Force has been established including the two local authorities, the DHPLG and Irish Water and investigations are ongoing. DCC is also working in close liaison with the EPA, the HSE, and experts from UCD in relation to this matter. An enhanced programme of water quality testing has identified a number of areas for further investigation but field work is on hold due to Covid-19.

Climate Action Regional Office (CARO) update

All staff are currently working remotely and are using communication tools such as Microsoft Teams and Zoom to progress projects with stakeholders in accordance with the 2020 CARO Work Programme. Meetings have taken place with the Dublin Regional Steering Group and with the Geological Survey of Ireland. CARO have continued to issue monthly bulletins and maintain a Twitter account for the dissemination of information to all stakeholders.

CARO staff have been engaging in on-line training and webinars in areas such as funding opportunities, resilient cities, community engagement and energy management.

Dublin CARO have contributed to work for the CARO Management Group in the following areas – stakeholder mapping, climate action training for local authorities and green roof & decarbonisation zones guidance.

Air Quality Monitoring and Noise Control Unit

The new DCC website to disseminate air and noise data in real time to the public was launched on 2nd March 2020 see www.dublincityairandnoise.ie

Interim Mobility Intervention programme for Dublin City

The Interim Mobility Intervention programme for Dublin City – Enabling the City to Return to Work – was published on the 21st of May by Dublin City Council and the National Transport Authority. The programme of proposed measures addresses the new and urgent needs relating to commercial activity and mobility in Dublin City which have emerged as a result of the Covid-19 Public Health Emergency.

The goal of “[Enabling the City to Return to Work](#)” is to allow the city to function under the new arrangements arising from the Covid-19 crisis, both in terms of providing space for safe movement of people and business activities, and in accommodating the changed transport patterns.

The plan will allow people to return to retail and leisure activities and enable the city to return to work. In addition, it will allow people to visit family and friends and, in time, allow schools and colleges to re-open all in line with government guidelines and timescales.

The objectives of the plan are:

- To ensure safe access to and movement within Dublin City for all users;
- To provide sufficient capacity to cater for the changed travel patterns; and
- To support the economic recovery of the city and the wider region.

A dedicated webpage has been developed to provide information on all aspects of the programme and will include all updates on implementation of the programme <http://www.dublincity.ie/covidmobilityprogramme>

A link is provided on the webpage to a specific platform developed for anyone wishing to make a request for specific measures to support the Interim Mobility Intervention Programme for Dublin City [Covid Mobility Measure Request Form](#). The previous method of making a request,

via the TAG Service Request Form, is still available for use and requests received from both platforms will be merged.

A dedicated email has also been set up to allow for all other queries and comment. covidmobility@dublincity.ie

Regular updates will be circulated to all DCC Councillors and senior management.

Sustainable Mobility Communications and Promotion

Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan (SUMP)

A SUMP is a strategic plan designed to satisfy the mobility needs of people and businesses in cities and their surroundings for a better quality of life. It builds on existing planning practices and takes due consideration of integration, participation and evaluation principles. The European Commission strongly recommends that European towns and cities of all sizes embrace the concept of SUMP in order to vastly improve the overall quality of life for residents by addressing major challenges such as congestion, air/noise pollution, climate change, road accidents, unsightly on-street parking and the integration of new mobility services. DCC propose to develop a citywide SUMP for Dublin for the period up to 2030.

In order to provide input into the development and implementation schedule of other existing policies and strategies, namely the “Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028” and the review of the NTA “Transport Strategy of the Greater Dublin Area”, the draft SUMP document must be completed by December 2020. The Plan development will be led by Planning and Development and Environment and Transportation Departments.

The Sustainable Mobility & Projects Division commenced the engagement process in February with presentations at Area Committee meetings. The remainder of these presentations and follow on workshops with Councillors and communities – focusing on sustainable transport modes - will re-commence once safe to do so. Dublin City Council continues to collaborate with Trinity College Dublin in the design of these workshops. The outcome of this process will inform the Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan and provide a complete suite of measures that will be implemented during the lifetime of the policy document. It will include a comprehensive list of key performance indicators. Online engagement strategies are being considered in the interim. We are currently liaising with Commonplace to develop a Heatmap which allows participants to tag areas in the city in relation to active travel – this could be suggesting a new place for bike parking, flagging a lack of permeability through an area, pointing out places they feel/don't feel safe either walking or cycling etc. There are some suggested categories that people can select, as well as the possibility for participants to create a new category. We want participants to flag the barriers to them using active travel as well as make suggestions for what could support them to walk or cycle more.

Active Mobility Action Plan

The purpose of the Active Mobility Action Plan is to create a clear plan of action to support Dublin's transition to an active travel city. It will be developed for a period of four years (2021-2024) and feed into the Sustainable Urban Mobility Plan. This plan will also be informed by the workshops with Councillors and local communities, which will give voice to issues faced in the current transportation infrastructure, culture and behaviour and seek solutions to create space for more active modes of transport to thrive. Workshops due to take place in-person have been postponed due to Covid-19. We are looking into options for online engagement now instead.

Safe routes to schools

An internal focus group has been set up to devise a strategy to present to Councillors on Safe Routes to School. This is an action highlighted in the Dublin Agreement. The Communications & Promotion Unit are developing a closer working relationship with Green Schools and Cycling Ireland as part of this project. It is expected that safe routes to school will be a key action in the Active Mobility Action Plan. As part of this project, primary schools in the Dublin City Council administrative area have the opportunity to express their interest in developing a school street at their location. School Streets is an initiative where the area surrounding the school gate is turned into a car-free zone during school drop-off and pick-up times. The aim of this is to improve the safety and well-being of pupils whilst encouraging more pupils to walk and cycle to school. It is intended to trial the concept in a limited number of schools in the city. Schools can currently express interest in becoming a School Street on the DCC BETA Projects website: <http://dccbeta.ie/project/article/school-streets>

Handshake Symposium

The Handshake project brings thirteen European cities together with established cycling cities providing mentoring and expert advice to future cycling cities to support their development. Amsterdam is the allocated Dublin Mentor and as part of this project, a symposium which was due to take place in Dublin in April 2020, has been rescheduled for the 10th to 12th of November. The Dublin team is working closely with Amsterdam to identify and invite the most relevant Amsterdam Cycling experts to attend the symposium – which will provide the opportunity to address some of the cycling challenges facing Dublin.

Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

Projects at Design Stage

| | Project | Funding Agency | Designer | Comments |
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| 1 | College Green | NTA/DCC | DCC | The review of this project is ongoing and discussions are continuing with the NTA regarding relevant transport issues, including Bus Connects, to inform the preparation of a new College Green proposal and the intended re-submission of an appropriate planning application as soon as possible. |
| 2 | Grafton Street Quarter Phase 4A - Clarendon Row | DCC | DCC | Detailed design works are continuing with a tender process to follow thereafter. It is planned to commence works after completion of the Clarendon Street project and the major private development currently under construction and affecting Clarendon Row. This was expected in Q1 2021 but is likely to be delayed because of the impact of Covid-19. Staff are currently working remotely to progress projects. |
| 3 | Grafton Street Quarter Phase 5 – Duke Street / South Anne Street Area | DCC | DCC | Preliminary design works are continuing. Following internal and external consultations, a Part 8 Planning Application will be submitted as soon as possible. |
| 4. | Grafton Street Quarter Phase 6 – Suffolk Street | DCC | DCC | Preliminary design works are continuing. Following internal and external consultations, a Part 8 Planning Application will be submitted as soon as possible. |
| 5. | Cathal Brugha Street/Findlater Place | DCC | DCC | Consultation with local stakeholders has commenced for the upgrading of the public realm in this area. Depending on the scope of the work a Part 8 may be required. |
| 6. | Dodder Bridge | DCC/LIHA AF/NTA | Roughan O'Donovan | Preliminary design is near completion. Ground Investigation works are complete. Land acquisitions and Land Owner agreements are being progressed. Traffic modelling required for the Business Case is progressing. Staff are currently working remotely to progress projects. |
| 7. | Blood Stoney Bridge | DCC | RPS/COWI | Report on the public consultation submissions for the amendment to the SDZ plan was returned to ABP on 23rd March. be carried out. Awaiting a decision on this. Due to the fact that ABP asked us to go to public consultation means that ABP were are not |

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| | | | | <p>able to give a decision within the original timeframe</p> <p>Draft EIAR and NIS has been prepared and is being reviewed by DCC</p> |
| 8. | Point Pedestrian & Cycling Bridge | DCC/NTA | New Competition | DCC finalising brief for competition to appointment of design consultants and set up a new Framework for design of opening bridges. This will take account of recent developments in Dublin Port. Staff are currently working remotely to progress projects. |
| 9. | Sandymount Promenade | OPW/DCC | Aecom/Lotts Architecture | OPW appointed to carry out works. Proposal to raise promenade wall by up to 360mm north of Martello Tower. 13 new flood gates at openings. Second Part 8 Planning required for 800mm high flood wall on seaside of Martello Tower approved at September Council meeting. Contractor mobilising. Main construction programme revised to July 2020 – April 2021 due to COVID virus. |
| 10. | Clontarf to City Centre Cycle Route | DCC | ROD | <p>The business case has been finalised.</p> <p>The tender package is being finalised. It is proposed to tender for a construction contractor in June 2020. Once the tender has issued, consultation on traffic management proposals and diversions will commence, and agreements and licences will be processed.</p> <p>The current programme is to commence construction in November 2020. However, this may extend to January 2021 depending on agreements being in place, which may be delayed due to the restrictions in place due to Covid-19.</p> <p>It is planned to give a presentation to Central and North Central Councillors on the project in the first week of June.</p> |

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| 11. | Dodder Greenway | DCC | RPS | RPS has issued a revised Cost Estimate for the scheme using the NTA latest cost estimate tools of €28,400,000 plus VAT. RPS have also issued updated drawings for the preferred route and an Options Summary report. Once the Covid 19 restrictions are lifted it is proposed to have a meeting between DCC, RPS, the NTA and the NTA's Cycle Design Office(CDO) at which RPS will hand over the Preliminary Design of the Project to the CDO. Herbert Park to Donnybrook section: tender documents are ready to issue pending agreement on the Way Leave. Herbert Park to Donnybrook section: tender documents will be issued in June. |
| 12. | Fitzwilliam Cycle Route | DCC | Aecom | Tender documents are currently being finalised, and will be issued in June. Interim scheme approved and will be implemented by early Q3 2020. |
| 13. | S2S | DCC | ROD/DCC | Drainage works at Manresa now complete but awaiting for the Drainage Department to confirm compliance. Kincora Rd drainage remedial measures outstanding due to current situation. |
| 14. | Point Junction Improvement Scheme | DCC | Arup | Following review of the Part 8 planning permission in place for East Wall Road, an alternative design was agreed for the scheme in 2019, for which a new Part 8 application is required. Pre-Part 8 consultation on the alternative design highlighted the need for additional space to facilitate improved public realm and tie-in with Dublin Port improvement plans. Additional details need to be agreed prior to submission of a revised Part 8 application and negotiation with all stakeholders is ongoing, in order to ensure that an optimum design solution can be achieved. The feasibility of road widening is being investigated. |
| 15. | Sillogue Infrastructure Scheme | DCC | O'Connor Sutton | The Tender Assessment Report has been prepared and the Most Economically Advantageous Tenderer has been selected. The increase in the project budget has been approved. DCC are currently considering when the risk and the best time to award the contract. |

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| 16. | Temple Bar Square Refurbishment | DCC | DCC | Preliminary enabling works including assessment of existing water mains, site investigations and topographical survey have been completed. Irish water have recommenced works on site and should have these completed in six weeks. Road Design are compiling a proposal for a revised scope of works for this project. |
| 17. | Francis Street Improvement Scheme | DCC | DBFL | Two tenders were received. DCC are currently considering when the risk and the best time to award the contract. |
| 18. | Cathedral Street / Sackville Place | DCC | DCC | The Joint Working Group of the Public Participation Network Disability Linkage Group and Dublin City Council have concluded the examination of design options for the Cathedral Street / Sackville Place scheme and a design option has been chosen to progress to Part 8 Planning. |
| 19. | Liffey Street Public Realm Improvements | DCC | DHB Architects Clifton Scannell Emerson & Associates Engineers | Part 8 Planning Approval received at the September City Council Meeting. Detailed design and tender documents being prepared for issue Q2 2020. |
| 20. | Castle Street /Cork Hill Improvement Scheme | DCC | DCC | Redesign of aspects of the Detailed Design ongoing and preparation of tender drawings and documents underway. Due to a significant increase in the estimated costs for this project the project has been suspended pending review. Road Design have reviewed the cost and the extent of the proposed works and have made a submission to the CPSO. |
| 21. | Royal Canal Phase 3 | DCC | OCSC | The issuing of the contract documents for RCP3 by OCSC has been delayed partly due to the difficult working conditions imposed on the consultant by Covid 19. A revised tender package was issued in mid-April. Review of landscaping requirements to meet Parks Requirements is ongoing. |
| 22. | Royal Canal Phase 4 | DCC | ROD | Following a tender process, a contractor was selected for completion of works at Broom Bridge – Phase 4A of the project. There was a delay in the appointment of the contractor due to Covid-19. However, the contractor is |

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| | | | | <p>soon to be appointed these works will commence in June 2020. A road closure will be in place to facilitate these works. However, pedestrian and cyclist access will be maintained over the bridge.</p> <p>Agreements with Developers, Waterways Ireland and Irish Rail are being finalised and detailed design for the towpath mainline is scheduled to be completed by the end of Q2 2020. Construction procurement commencement for Phase 4B is scheduled for Q3 2020.</p> |
| 23. | Belmayne Main Street and Belmayne Ave | DCC | DBFL Consulting Engineers | <p>Tender documents are near completion. Following agreement with Irish Water the scheme will go to tender. A revised project budget has been submitted to CPSO for approval.</p> |
| 24. | Finglas Area Roundabouts Improvement Scheme | DCC/NTA | Aecom | <p>The Options Selection Report has been submitted by the consultant. The preferred design option combined with a revised financial estimate has been forwarded to the NTA for their comments. Lidl has submitted their comments. The Options Selection Report will be forwarded to Fingal CoCo for their comments. A detailed appraisal will then be sent to the CPSO when the NTA responds to the updated financial estimate. Internal Stakeholder Consultation to take place in Q3 2020</p> |
| 25. | Poddle Flood Alleviation Project | SDCC/DCC/OPW | Nicholas O'Dwyer | <p>Preliminary design and EIAR being developed. Structural Infrastructure Development programmed for late January 2020 as joint SDCC/DCC submission presented to SE Area Committee on Monday 9th September. Part X application closing date the 11th June due to COVID 19.</p> |
| 26. | Camac Flood Alleviation Project 2 | DCC/SDCC/OPW | AECOM | <p>Tenders for appointment of service provider assessed and consultant appointed in September 2019. AECOM appointed, kick off meeting 3rd October 2019. Public Consultation sessions 4/12/2019 Kilmainham and Clondalkin. Some surveys commenced. Computer modelling has started.</p> |
| 27. | Dodder Phase 3 Clonskeagh Orwell Bridge | DCC/DLRCC/OPW | Byrne Looby | <p>Tenders for appointment of service provider assessed with consultant appointed in September 2019. Consultant appointed as PSDP. Kick-off meeting 25th November 2019. Building web-site. Public info session - comments being analysed. Survey's commenced. Computer modelling started.</p> |

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| 28. | Mary's Street Pedestrianisation | DCC | DHB Architects Clifton Scannell Emerson & Associates Engineers | Integrated Design Team appointed, preliminary design options being developed. Internal consultation continuing. External consultation to resume following lifting of restrictions. |
| 29. | Culvert Improvement Works – Screen Upgrade Works | DCC | Tobin Consulting Engineers (TCE) | <p>Stage 1 Completed: Suitability Assessment and Options Report signed-off by DCC. Stage 2 commenced on 26/07/19. Drawings and Work requirements have been submitted to DCC and currently under review by DCC's Project Team who are working remotely now due to the COVID-19 crisis. The Consultants TCE have advised that they too have converted to full remote operational capability and are continuing to run their projects remotely and any office based inputs that are required on this project will continue uninterrupted. However, there is a potential programme risk as consultation meetings required with residence groups, before going to tender cannot now as planned take place face to face. TCE has now proposed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sending drawings to contacts within the residence groups. • Holding Skype calls to explain the proposals to the residence groups. • Receiving written comments from stakeholders and making the necessary amendments to the Works Requirements. <p>DCC will proceed to tender should no issues arise with the review. Works are to be carried out at 19 culvert screens located throughout the city. 4 are on the Finglas River, 4 on the Santry River, 4 on the Poddle River, 2 on the Claremont Stream, 2 on the Gallblack Stream, one each on the Naniken River, Elm Park Stream and a tributary of the Wad River.</p> |
| 30. | East Coast Trail North: Alfie Byrne Road to North Wall Quay | NTA | New Competition | Tender documentation has been prepared for a competition to appoint design consultants. A stakeholder workshop will be arranged once it is established that the preliminary design ties in with the East Wall Road/Point Junction Scheme. |

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| 31. | Liffey Cycle Route | NTA | New Competition | Report on the feasibility of the Interim scheme was approved at the March meeting. The interim scheme is being designed and implemented in phases. As part of the works on the COVID-19 response involving temporary widening of footways and the installation of temporary cycle-ways, works have been carried out on between Inns Quay and Bachelors Walk. This work was informed by the on-going designs for the interim Liffey Cycle Route. The next phase of the interim route to be implemented is Parkgate St to Sarsfield Quay. |
| 32. | East Coast Trail South – Ringsend to Merrion Road | NTA | New Competition | The environmental assessment of the project area is progressing in conjunction with DL RCC. Sustainable Mobility & Projects division prepared a feasibility report for an Interim Scheme which minimises the impact on environmental designated areas. SMP division to appoint an engineering consultant to progress interim scheme. |
| 33. | Grangegorman Road Lower interim Safety Measure | NTA/GDA | DBFL | Scheme design has been completed. Tender to be issued in June. |
| 34. | Sandymount Green | DCC | DBFL | The detailed design of the scheme has being finalised. The tender is ready to be published. This will not go out to tender at the moment until there is more clarity regarding what effect the Covid 19 pandemic has on new projects. |
| 35. | Finglas Village | DCC | Atkins | Request for Tenders for the procurement of a design consultant have been sent out to all the consultants on the Framework. |
| 36. | Wad River Flood Alleviation Scheme | DCC | New Competition | Tender Documents being assessed for tunnel under Howth Road and river outlet in Clontarf Promenade. Board has met. |

Progress Report on Design & Construction Projects

Projects at Construction Stage

| # | Scheme Name | Client | Contractor | Start Date | End Date | Comment |
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| 1 | Grafton Street Quarter Phase 4 – Clarendon Street | DCC | Actavo (Ireland) Ltd.] | June 2019 | Q3 2020 | Works recommenced on site on the 18 th May with social distancing measures being implemented. The programme will be reassessed once the implications of the new working procedures can be gauged. |
| 2 | Dodder Flood alleviation works | ARUP DCC | OPW | August 2007 | Dec 2020 | Construction of new RDS wall ongoing. Programmed for completion Q1 2021. Site investigations completed at Beech Hill Road. Landowner issues near resolution. Construction commenced. |
| 3 | South Campshires flood alleviation works | AECOM | OPW, Rock Roadstone and KN Network Services | October 2014 | Nov 2019 | Scheme is operational and all outstanding minor elements programmed to be completed in 2019. Granite facing on estuary side and capping stones completed. Quay wall outlet survey completed. Tender documents being completed. Tree planting on George's Quay ongoing |
| 4 | On- Street Cycling Parking | DCC | Richard Nolan Civil Engineering (RNCE) | 2013 | Rolling Contracts | RNCE is due to restart installation works on Batch 13 from Monday 25 th of May. Design work is continuing on Batch 14 and 15. |
| 5. | Royal Canal Greenway Phase 2 | DCC | ROD | January 2019 | Q2 2020 | In line with government directives, the construction site closed 28 th March and reopened on 18 th May 2020. |

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| 6. | Balbutcher Lane Junction reconfiguration | DCC | Clonmel Enterprises Ltd | January 2020 | Q3 2020 | Works recommenced on site on the 18 th May with social distancing measures being implemented. Progressing with installing a new watermain & gully connections on the northern side of the junction. The programme will be reassessed once the implications of the new working procedures can be gauged |

Planning & Property Development Department

1. New Policy/Strategic

The National Planning Framework 2040 provides for 265,000 additional population and associated infrastructure in the Dublin Area.

The Regional Spatial and Economic Strategy which includes a Metropolitan Area Strategic Plan (MASP) was approved by the Regional Assembly in May 2019.

The Cherry Orchard LAP was approved by the City Council in October 2019 meeting and an Implementation Group has been set up. The implementation of the Clongriffin-Belmayne LAP is being progressed, including a proposed masterplan for the Belmayne lands.

The City Council has embarked on a major review of Z6 industrial land banks, following a presentation to the Planning SPC and the City Council in March 2019. A first tranche of 20 smaller individual sites was considered for rezoning at the March meeting of the City Council, 16 of which were rezoned for Residential/mixed use.

| Changes in Policy or Practice from Department or DCC | Progress in Previous Quarter | Next Stage |
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| <p>Development Plan 2016-2022</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Variation Report updating Development Plan to take on board Regional, Spatial & Economic Strategy (RSES) approved by City Council at its March meeting. • Z6 study – At the City Council Meetings of 2nd and 10th March 16 sites were rezoned by resolution to Z1 (Residential) and Z10 (Mixed Use) with masterplans to be submitted for the latter. Variation N0 14 currently subject of Judicial Review. • Variation report preparation underway for 3 further changes to Development Plan (i) Lutyens Bridge, (ii) Tolka Road; (iii) Ballymun Road objective. • Work on background papers and issue paper for Development Plan. Ongoing. | <p>Implement new Regional Strategy.</p> <p>Implement Variations</p> <p>Finalise reports and place all three on display for 4 weeks post Covid – 19.</p> <p>Continue work on review of Development Plan, and commencement of 2022 – 2028 Development Plan.</p> |

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| <p>Planning/Housing Studies</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessment of Housing land potential on Council owned flat complexes now complete and presented to Housing SPC. | <p>Moving into project phase.</p> |
| <p>Ballymun LAP</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Metro – Link details for public consultation published by NTA, show Route to be underground at Ballymun. • A number of developments on site e.g. Lidl and Student Accommodation Scheme (Ref. 3930/17); Decathlon; Demolition of shopping centre; Housing Sites 22 & 23: O’Cualann Co-Operative housing. • Affordable Housing Sites; expressions of interest advertised for all 3 sites. Market analysis (Lisney) and social economic survey (Kanter) commissioned. • Site 2: Preferred Bidder selected | <p>Meetings with NTA ongoing to establish land take for Metro.</p> <p>Affordable Housing Sites:</p> <p>Agreed to progress sites to Part 8 planning consent stage.</p> <p>Site no. 2 – S183 deferred at Full Council 06/01/20.</p> |
| <p>Park West – Cherry Orchard LAP</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LAP adopted at City Council meeting 7th October 2019. • First meeting of implementation group held, 13/02/2020 | <p>LDA to present to the Housing SPC re LDA constitution and revert to Area Committee regarding sites 4 & 5</p> <p>URDF application to be made for LAP implementation.</p> |
| <p>Clongriffin-Belmayne LAP</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Life of LAP extended to 2022. • Part 8 Approved for ‘Main Street’ Belmayne in March 2019. • DCC engaged in proposal for PCC, Garda Station and new library. • Briefing on Belmayne Masterplan for Area Committee finalised. | <p>Design of ‘Main Street’ Belmayne is currently being progressed.</p> <p>Public Consultation to commence post Covid-19</p> <p>URDF application being made for LAP/masterplan implementation</p> |

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| <p>Finglas</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Concept Masterplan for Finglas to be prepared. Presentation given to local councillors Monday 9th December 2019. | <p>Work on-going.</p> <p>Matter of Fergal's Field to be addressed.</p> |
| <p>North Lotts and Grand Canal Dock SDZ</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report submitted to An Bord Pleanála in December in relation to public consultation on amendments to building heights. • DCC is pursuing a Judicial Review of the recent Bord Pleanála grant of permission under the SHD process for development at City-Block 2 of the planning scheme. • In relation to proposed SDZ amendment to relocate a planned pedestrian/cycle bridge from Forbes Street to Blood Stoney Road, a report on the public consultation is now being considered by An Bórd Pleanála | <p>Await decision of ABP.</p> <p>ABP issued new decision in light of High Court Decision; Approved Application again</p> <p>Report submitted to An Bord Pleanála.</p> |
| <p>Public Realm Strategy</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part 8 for Liffey Street Upper Lower granted and design detail being finalised to go to construction tender. • Mary Street west at design stage, minor works proposed. • Wolfe Tone Square – construction tender deadline extended due to shut down. Still hoped that contract can be assessed and assign in coming weeks. • Temple Bar Square- enabling works to be completed as soon as possible with consideration of construction and movement restrictions • The Docklands Public Realm Plan –A design concept being developed for the Campshires to include the other projects on site or proposed, such as the Flood Defences bridges and Liffey Cycle Route • Clarendon St under construction for completion July 2020 delayed. Clarendon Row, Part 8 in place and due to go to construction tender. South Anne St/ Duke St preliminary design concept and engagements advanced. Part 8 anticipated shortly. • Suffolk St preliminary design concept and engagements advanced. Part 8 anticipated shortly | <p>Project Design and planning for projects is continuing, however, a number of projects are impacted by Covid measures and the CIF construction requirements. This will need to be full evaluated with time. The financial implications on contracts as well as on the impact on private development in the city may mean there is a need to delay public realm projects until construction traffic and restrictions has lessened</p> |

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| <p>Redevelopment of the Wholesale Fruit and Vegetable Market</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phase 1 is complete and Muga and car park currently closed. Management are engaged with the Members Advisory Group on the Markets regarding the tender process for Phase 2. Meeting to advance the tender scheduled for end of May. | <p>Issue tender for redevelopment of the Markets building Dublin 7</p> |
| <p>Liberties Local Area Plan</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Plan ended on 10th May 2020 (extended by Council in April 2014, Report No 112-14). Report on Local Area Plan went to March South Central Area Committee. | <p>Progress renewal of Liberties through SDRA policies in Development Plan</p> |
| <p>Urban Regeneration and Development Fund</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Call 1 – Awarded Naas Road / Ballymount / Park West / Cherry Orchard Masterplan – Joint DCC / SDCC project. Kilmainham / Inchicore Development Strategy. Call 2 – Bid Applications currently being prepared with collaboration with Departments across DCC. | <p>Urban Design / Placemaking Team procured. Project to commence June 2020 subject to confirmation that consultants can deliver the project on time and on budget taking account of Covid 19 work practices.</p> <p>Urban Design / Planning / Transportation consultants appointed. Stage 1 - Baseline survey report submitted for review. Stakeholder consultation commenced.</p> <p>Deadline for submission to DHPLG 12 noon 29 May 2020</p> |

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| <p>City Valuers</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exchange of lands with Cairn Homes/Stanley at Belmayne, negotiations advancing. • Proposed CPOs at Ryders Row, Werburgh Street, Exchange Street and Eden Quay proceeding. • Transactions involving the HSE at The Church of the Annunciation and Fergal's Field Finglas, St. Michael's Estate, Cherry Orchard and Gulistan Terrace advancing slowly due to delays on HSE side. • Acquisition of lands at Belcamp Lane being pursued, CPO required. • Initial work on DCC property aspects of the Metrolink Bus Connects projects • Heightened focus on Long Term Leasing of residential properties and hospitality sector for temporary Homeless accommodation. • Valuation estimates for URDF applications completed. • Further enquiry for 8 acre site adjoining Decathlon Ballymun. Indicative design coming soon. • Site enquiry from Dublin Region Electric Vehicle SG for Potential sites and charge point sites in DCC. • Site opportunities enquiry from Lidl. • Martello Tower Sandymount possible acquisition of this iconic structure. No response from reputed owner. CPO option now being considered. | <p>Ryders Row CPO. Notices to treat served and under negotiation.</p> <p>Acquisition of Gulistan Depot Rathmines complete.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Culture Recreation and Economic Services

New Policy/Strategic

In line with the Government Roadmap (Phase 1) Library staff are returning to branches on a phased and rostered basis to prepare for the re-opening of public libraries as part of phase 2 of the roadmap, due to start on 8th June. Library management have been working towards the commencement of an '**Order & Go**' service from six libraries from 8th June. The libraries included in this phase are Cabra, Coolock, Raheny, Rathmines, Dolphin's Barn, Walkinstown. We would hope to extend the service further over the coming weeks.

Home delivery library service A Community Delivery Service began so people who are cocooning due to COVID 19 can have a selection of library books, audiobooks or DVDs delivered to their home. It operates from Cabra Library and is a partnership with the Dublin Volunteer Centre.

Ask-a-Librarian Service has been launched on the libraries homepage at www.dublincitylibraries.ie, offering a simple, easy-to-use live chat channel for the public to engage with library staff. During the hours of 10am-12pm and 2-4pm, Monday to Friday, users can simply click on the icon on the bottom right of the Libraries' homepage, type a question into the online chat box that appears, and one of the library team will respond straight away. Outside of these hours, the user can leave a message and an email address.

Digital Services Staff are sourcing online content and expanding the offering to our patrons during the closure period, as well as creating and uploading blog articles and information to promote all of our online resources. 83 of these blog posts have been uploaded between 13/03 and 15/05, including a series of short 'how-to' videos explaining how to find, register for, and use a selection of our online resources such as RB Digital and Borrowbox at <https://vimeo.com/dubcilib> The blog posts are promoted daily on library social media channels.

'Spring into Storytime' programme Each day staff promote a story from the Tumblebook Library collection, a curated database of children's e-books available online through Dublin City Libraries e-resources, on the Libraries Blog. 31 Tumblebook blog posts have been uploaded during this time. Branch libraries have also set up Facebook pages to connect with their local communities and share up-to-date library information, children's activities, book reviews and local area information e.g. <https://www.facebook.com/RathminesLibrary/>

The Regional Enterprise Plan for Dublin 2020 is being revised, to capture actions completed and confirm actions that can be delivered to year end. The working group is due to meet and will discuss actions needed to support the region in responding to the impact of Covid 19 on employment and businesses. The National Social Enterprise Policy Implementation group met on 22nd May to discuss the findings of a survey conducted on the impact of Covid 19 on Social Enterprises nationally, findings to be disseminated shortly. Supports for Social Enterprises and the second annual conference which will be held remotely on 19th November led by the Department of Rural and Community Development were also discussed. The Economic Development team conducted a Covid 19 survey using the *Your Dublin Your Voice* panel. The findings are being gathered and will be disseminated to members of the Economic and Enterprise SPC and other. The Dublin place brand team have updated www.dublin.ie to reflect the impact of Covid 19 and have run media and outdoor campaigns to support local business and front line workers. The May edition of the Dublin Economic Monitor www.dublineconomy.ie is dedicated to articles and economic data sets highlighting the impact of Covid 19 on the Dublin region.

DEPARTMENTAL PRIORITY

History and Heritage The Dublin Covid-19 Pandemic Collection went live on Thursday 14 May to encourage members of the public to share their experiences of lockdown by sending documents to Dublin City Library & Archive. Contributions from 64 people have been received digitally consisting of photographs, PowerPoint presentations, original music, original poetry, original short stories, and diaries.

Arts Office The emphasis for is on delivering and supporting Arts and Festivals as the various phases of the Government guidelines allow. Cruinniú na nOg, Culture Night, MusicTown are well advanced in developing online versions of their programmes. The Lab Building and Dance House at Liberty Corner will open to staff at first and gradually in an approved protocol from mid-July to the public. Arts Organisations are engaged in a learning curve as to the viability and safety of indoor and outdoor Arts events. A controlled approach to socially distanced gatherings with small pilot events are being discussed. Safety Assessments of studio spaces, Artists Workspaces and residences are ongoing.

Dublin City Sport & Wellbeing Partnership (DCSWP) Supporting people to stay active and healthy during COVID 19 remains the priority of DCSWP. In June, ongoing initiatives are:

Online Presence: Sport Officers continue to engage with the public and community groups via tutorials, skill challenges and exercise sessions across social media channels and zoom.
Twitter: [@dccsportsrec](https://twitter.com/dccsportsrec) Facebook: [DublinCitySportandWellbeing](https://www.facebook.com/DublinCitySportandWellbeing)
Instagram: [@dublincitysportandwellbeing](https://www.instagram.com/dublincitysportandwellbeing)

Doorstep Exercise: Sport Officers in conjunction with a range of community services are hosting weekly doorstep exercise sessions in residential areas across Dublin for people aged 30 to 93 of all abilities. Sessions comprise of standing and chair based exercises that focus on building strength and improving balance. The response has been very positive with the sessions considered extremely beneficial by participants that have been cocooning. All social distancing and hygiene guidelines and protocols are strictly adhered to. Locations and times are:

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| Monday | 2pm | Dolphin House, Rialto |
| Wednesday | 2:30pm | Bulfin Court, Inchicore |
| Thursday | 1pm | Annamore Court, Chapelizod |
| Friday | 2pm | St Anthony's Avenue, Fatima |

'Get Physically Active' Sport Inclusion Programme: Sport Inclusion and Integration Officers are hosting weekly zoom exercise sessions for individuals aged between 19 and 65 with intellectual, physical and sensory disabilities. Each session has a different fitness theme covering topics such as the benefits of exercising every day, strength training, making healthy food choices, getting fresh air etc. The participants are also set weekly individual and group challenges, which encourage them to interact with their families at home and with each other in between sessions. It began as a partnership with the Central Remedial Clinic for one group and for a duration of 5 weeks. Due to its success, it is currently being delivered on an ongoing basis, to groups with between 10 and 40 participants, in conjunction with the following service providers.

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| Monday | 11:30am | National Learning Network (Dublin 7 & 15) |
| Monday | 2pm | National Learning Network (Ballyfermot) |
| Tuesday | 12:30pm | St. John of Gods Liffey Services (Dublin 6, 8, 10, 12 & 24) |
| Tuesday | 3pm | Central Remedial Clinic |
| Wednesday | 11am | Central Remedial Clinic (Raheny, Killester, Clontarf) |
| Thursday | 2pm | National Learning Network (Ballyfermot) |

Local Enterprise Office There is a significant increase in demand on LEO services, Training and Evaluation Committee meetings are operating remotely. Staff are working hard to provide existing and new products to support businesses impacted by Covid 19 with key supports: Business Continuity Voucher of up to €2,500 for business consultancy were introduced to assist business in planning to continue their business and support retention of staff was very popular. The scheme closed to new applications on 15th May, with 1,253 applications received by LEO DCC. Staff are working to implement the vouchers and assign Mentors/Consultants to work with the business and complete the work scoped out over the next three months. In April and May 55 businesses were supported in making an application for the MicroFinance Ireland loans of up to €50,000 through the LEO at new low rate of 4.5% with an initial moratorium on loan repayment. This is a 7 fold increase on the number of applications received in these months last year. 79 applications were received in May for the Trading online Vouchers (TOV) scheme that has been improved with 90% of costs now refundable to businesses. In recognition of the significantly increased demand for this digital support, our annual voucher allocation has been increased from 90 to 120. All training and networking events are now being delivered online and have been very well received with 639 businesses participating in training and 120 businesses availing of 3 hour or 6 hour mentoring supports. The website and social media posts are continuously updated with details of new products and on line training dates www.localenterprise.ie/dublincity

DEPARTMENTAL PROJECTS

| Project | Progress/Current Status | Next Stage |
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| Le Fanu Park – Skate/BMX & Playpark | Snags to be completed end of May 2020. Compound will be removed and the park pathways reinstated | Facility to be opened once restrictions are lifted |
| Bridgefoot Street – Park | Contractor back on site and works progressing | Further update next month |
| People’s Park, Ballyfermot | Progress to detail design following internal circulation of draft | Works to commence Q4 |
| Summerhill central Median Works | Tender has been issued | Tender assessment and appointment Q2/Q3 |
| Inchicore Library | Request for tender for the extension and refurbishment of the library issued in mid-May. | Commencement in Autumn |
| Finglas Library | Acquisition of the site for the new library has completed. | Site Surveys and initial feasibility study. |
| City Library at Parnell Square | The project is paused during the current Covid crisis | Ground investigation works to take place when site restrictions are lifted. |
| HLG Capital Refurbishment Project: 1930s Wing | Pre-Qual Tender stage closing date was 8 th May. A number of submissions have been received. | Tender Action to be published 29 th June. |

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| | Now at evaluation stage. https://irl.eu-supply.com/ctm/supplier/publictenders | |
| Hugh Lane Gallery online programmes and Social Media engagement | An online programme via our website, You Tube and Sound Cloud. Each week, new talks, films, mini pod casts, coffee conversations; sketching and drawing classes, curator's choice, art history course, and #flashbackfridays are created. | In March to April: Instagram: Impressions grew by 213% Likes and interactions grew by 207% Facebook: Impressions: increased 154% Likes: + 352% Twitter: Impressions: increased 317% Engagements: +473% |
| Planning for reopening of gallery: 20 th July | Planning for reopening of The Lane Legacy exhibition | Reopen The Lane Legacy exhibition : 20 th July |

DATES/EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

| Event | Location | Date & Time |
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| Cruinniú na nOg 2020 will present as a digital, online version, consisting of a wide range of online events, workshops, performances, music & competitions with all aspects of the arts and all age groups catered for on the day. | Arts Office website www.dublincityartsoffice.ie www.cruinniu.creativeireland.gov.ie Plus various social media channels on 13 th June. | All day 13 June 2020 Partner organisations include Axis, Dance Ireland, The Ark, Temple Bar Gallery & Studios, Irish Youth work Ireland, Anyone4Science, No Strings Theatre Company, Museum of Literature, Ireland, National Gallery of Ireland and Five Lamps Arts Festival. |
| Due to the cancellation of The Erasmus + Permission to Wonder Symposium for 21 st April 2020. The 6 x European countries working on the project Visual Thinking Strategies have now brought the work online | www.permissiontowonder.com/webinars | Every Monday in May and June at 5.30pm The schedule and recordings of the live webinars are hosted on the project website |
| The LAB Gallery is working with artists to reschedule exhibitions and events. We have been hosting weekly events for teachers in the neighbourhood and educators across the city to supporting online learning and providing art conversation/Visual Thinking Strategies sessions biweekly online for children. | Foley Street, D1 www.dublincityartsoffice.com | Series of weekly events for teachers /educators across the city to supporting online learning. Biweekly online for events for children providing art conversation/Visual Thinking Strategies sessions |

Law Department

Freedom of Information

| Ref No. | Request Details | Requester Type | Date opened | Date closed |
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| FOI/7683/2020 | Seeks waste management updates for specific building site in May 2018 | Client | 30/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7682/2020 | Seeks records regarding hedgefunds/pension investments. | Business | 30/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7681/2020 | Seeks records regarding retail store closures | Press | 30/04/2020 | 30/04/2020 |
| FOI/7680/2020 | Seeks records on expenses paid to Councillors | Client | 29/04/2020 | 06/05/2020 |
| FOI/7679/2020 | Seeks records regarding planning file | Client | 27/04/2020 | 01/05/2020 |
| FOI/7678/2020 | Seeks records regarding planning enforcement file. | Client | 27/04/2020 | 19/05/2020 |
| FOI/7677/2020 | Seeks records regarding Derelict Sites Act since 1990 | Client | 27/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7676/2020 | Seeks records regarding correspondence between DCC and Dublin City Traders Alliance | Press | 27/04/2020 | 21/05/2020 |
| FOI/7675/2020 | Seeks records regarding construction companies used by the City Council | Business | 24/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7674/2020 | Seeks records regarding illegal landfills at specified site | Business | 23/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7671/2020 | seeks records re footpath at Nassau St | Client | 22/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7670/2020 | Seeks planning enforcement file. | Client | 20/04/2020 | 18/05/2020 |
| FOI/7668/2020 | Seeks records regarding LEO payments made to companies. | Business | 20/04/2020 | 14/05/2020 |

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| FOI/7667/2020 | Seeks records regarding Mrs Browns Boys coronavirus posters in the City Centre. | Press | 17/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7666/2020 | Seeks records regarding numbers living in DCC properties. | Press | 16/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7664/2020 | Seeks records regarding salaries and bonuses paid to Councillors. | Client | 15/04/2020 | 22/04/2020 |
| FOI/7663/2020 | Seeks records regarding footfall since 01/01/2020 | Client | 15/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7662/2020 | Seeks records regarding correspondence with CE on matter of cancellation of rates due to Covid 19. | Press | 14/04/2020 | 13/05/2020 |
| FOI/7661/2020 | Seeks records regarding planning enforcement file. | Client | 14/04/2020 | 15/05/2020 |
| FOI/7660/2020 | Seeks records regarding Liffey Cycle route | Client | 14/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7659/2020 | Seeks records regarding Councillor travel and expenses. | Press | 09/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7658/2020 | Seeks records regarding planning application | Client | 08/04/2020 | 26/05/2020 |
| FOI/7657/2020 | Seeks records relating to the closure of named facilities due to Covid 19 | Press | 07/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7656/2020 | Seeks records regarding graffiti removal. | Press | 06/04/2020 | 25/05/2020 |
| FOI/7655/2020 | Seeks records regarding Smart Dublin Small Business Innovation Research assessment. | Client | 06/04/2020 | 08/04/2020 |
| FOI/7654/2020 | Seeks records regarding correspondence between DCC and Clear Channel on subject of Tom Clarke Bridge. | Solicitor | 03/04/2020 | |

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| FOI/7653/2020 | Seeks records regarding correspondence between DCC and Clear Channel on the subject of taxi shelter sites. | Solicitor | 03/04/2020 | |
| FOI/7652/2020 | Seeks records regarding correspondence provided to CEO on Covid 19 implications. | Press | 03/04/2020 | 05/05/2020 |
| FOI/7651/2020 | Seeks planning enforcement records for property at Portobello. | Client | 03/04/2020 | 19/05/2020 |

The above table represents a snapshot of the position with non-personal FOI requests only, received in April 2020.

The overall position regarding FOI requests from 01/01/2020 is outlined below.

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| Carried forward from 2019 | 26 |
| Total opened at April 2020 | <u>250</u> |
| | 276 |
| Total closed at April 2020 | <u>216</u> |
| Live cases | 60 |